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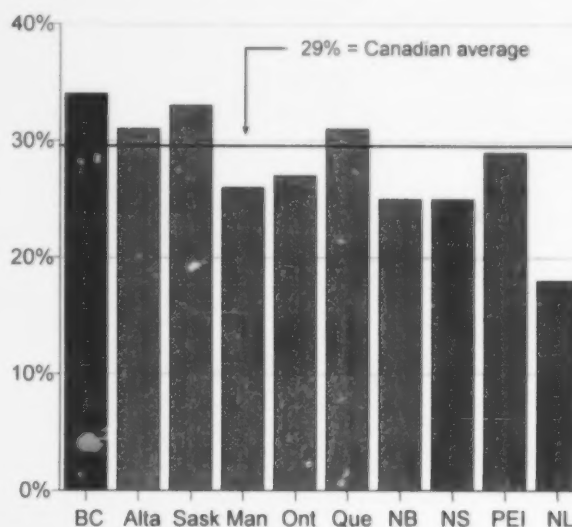
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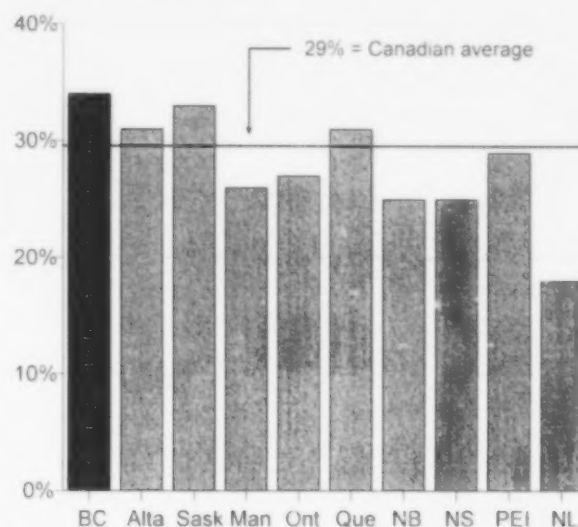
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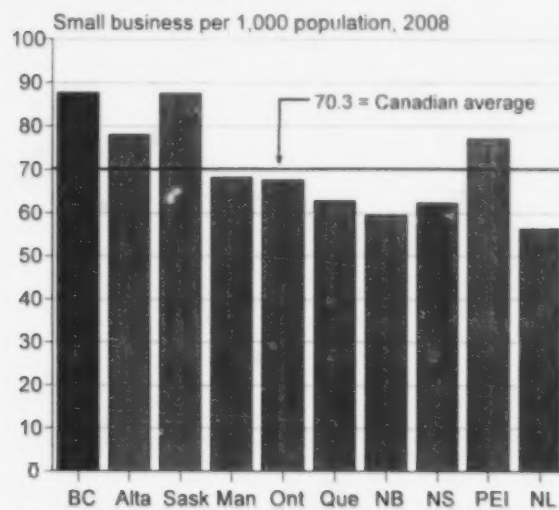
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those years (4.2 per cent in 2007 to 4.6 per cent in 2008) and could be an indication that some workers shifted to paid employment in more stable economic times. In the thick of the labour shortage, it is possible that some self-employed workers were enticed into the employee workforce as business operators began offering better compensation and/or benefits in hopes of luring more workers.

Small business is bigger in the West

Small businesses are more prevalent in the western part of the country, at least in terms of businesses per capita. British Columbia held on to its ranking of first among the provinces in 2008, boasting 87.7 small businesses per 1,000 people. Saskatchewan (87.5 small businesses per 1,000 people) was right on its heels, followed by Alberta (78.0). At 77.1, Prince Edward Island was the only other province to exceed the Canadian average of 70.3 small businesses per 1,000 people.

Western Canada generally has more small businesses per capita



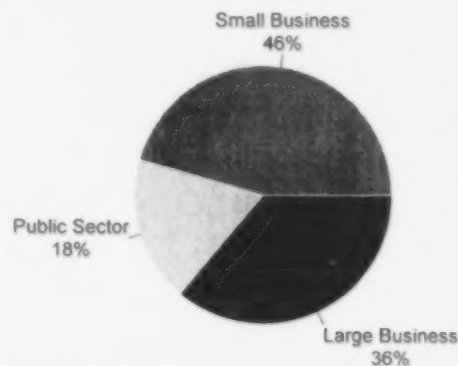
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Almost half of working people in BC work in small business

There is a wide variety of activities in which small businesses in British Columbia are engaged, ranging from family-operated corner stores, to self-employed computer programmers, to small industrial operations. Almost three-quarters of all businesses in the province are in the service sector, with small businesses just as likely to be providing a service as large businesses.

This diverse small business sector employs almost half of all working British Columbians. There were approximately 1,058,100 jobs in small businesses in British Columbia in 2008, representing close to half (46 per cent) of the province's 2,314,200 jobs. This share was unchanged from 2007 and has remained relatively stable in recent years.

Nearly half of all jobs in BC were in small business, 2008



Source: BC Stats using data supplied by Statistics Canada

In 2008, 1,892,800 people in British Columbia were employed by the private sector (including both small and large businesses). Of this total, 56 per cent were in small business, a ratio that has remained essentially unchanged over the past decade. In 2008, British Columbia ranked second in the country in terms of the share of

private sector jobs derived from small business, at almost 56 per cent, marginally behind Prince Edward Island (just over 56 per cent). At 55 per cent, Saskatchewan was third, followed by Newfoundland and Labrador (52 per cent). Ontario (45 per cent) reported the least reliance on small business for private sector employment, while nationally, the average hovered around 49 per cent.

Small business employment in British Columbia expanded 1.0 per cent from 2007 to 2008, slightly above the growth rate for Canada as a whole (+0.8 per cent). Despite the overall rise at the provincial and national level, growth eased in 2008 compared to 2007, when the national average stood at 2.4 per cent. In 2008, the largest increase was recorded in Alberta (1.7 per cent). British Columbia was among just four other provinces, including Ontario (+1.1 per cent), PEI and Saskatchewan (both +1.0 per cent) with growth rates exceeding that of the nation as a whole. The construction boom that began in British Columbia in 2005 possibly continued to play a role in the growth in small business employment last year. However, building intentions for both housing and other projects eased in the latter half of 2008, which likely tempered overall growth. The global economic downturn that began mid-way through 2008 likely influenced the demand for construction activities and probably affected employment growth in other sectors as well. The recession will likely continue to dampen new employment opportunities in 2009.

The Cariboo region leads the province in small business growth

Despite significant declines in other areas, three of British Columbia's seven regions¹ recorded growth in the number of small businesses between 2007 and 2008, such that the province

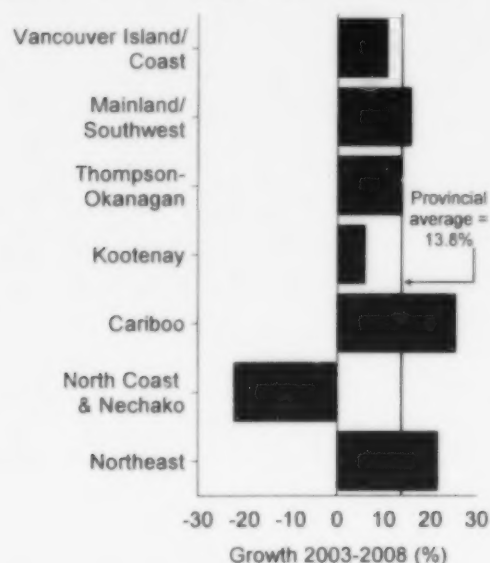
recorded an average loss of just 0.1 per cent (or around 500 businesses). The Cariboo region, where forestry and agriculture are among the principal industries, led the province in the year-over-year increase in small businesses. This region recorded an impressive 8.2 per cent growth in 2008, translating to an approximate increase of 1,100 businesses. Vancouver Island/Coast (+1.6 per cent) was second in growth, also adding close to 1,100 net new small businesses in that year. In terms of actual numbers, Mainland/Southwest (+1.1 per cent) added the most new businesses to the province, with an addition of about 2,400 establishments.

Four regions experienced declines in the number of small businesses between 2007 and 2008. Losses were most notable in Kootenay (-15.1 per cent), while North Coast/Nechako (-13.0 per cent) and Northeast (-8.0 per cent) also recorded substantial decreases. The Thompson/Okanagan region experienced a comparatively slower rate of decline of 0.5 per cent.

As with total small business development, the Cariboo is also the leader in self-employment growth. Between 2003 and 2008, this region recorded a 25.4 per cent surge in the number of self-employed, slightly ahead of the 21.5 per cent rise recorded in second-ranked Northeast. With the exception of North Coast and Nechako, which saw 22.2 per cent fewer self-employed over the last five years, all other regions of the province also saw positive growth in entrepreneurs. Vancouver Island/Coast (+10.6 per cent), Thompson/Okanagan (+13.6 per cent) and Mainland/Southwest (+15.8 per cent) saw double-digit increases, while the Kootenay region (+5.9 per cent) recorded a more moderate climb.

¹ Although there are eight development regions in the province, due to small numbers, the North Coast and Nechako regions have been combined.

The Cariboo region recorded the biggest increase in entrepreneurs last year



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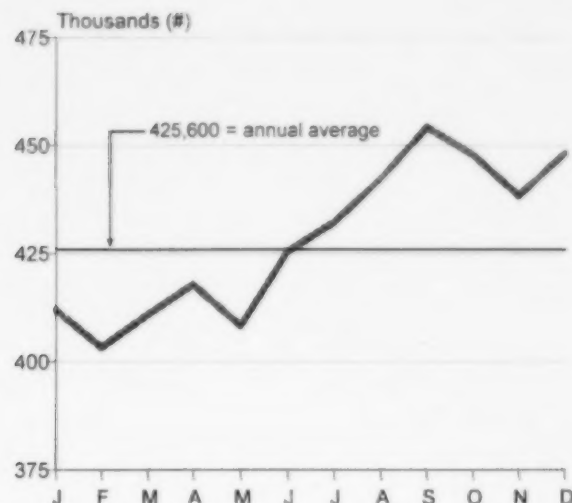
Overall provincial self-employment has grown

Recent changes in the provincial, national and global economic landscape have already impacted the overall trend of self-employment in British Columbia. In the beginning of the year, British Columbia was still feeling the effect of a labour crunch, which is likely to have had at least some influence on self-employment levels in the province. In particular, a tight economy and labour shortages can potentially draw self-employed workers into the employee workforce. Conversely, the economic downturn in the latter part of 2008 is likely to have had its own impact on individuals' tendencies to choose self-employment. This becomes more apparent when one refers to the monthly breakdown of self-employment last year.

In 2008, self-employment reached a low early in the year (approximately 403,300 self-employed, province-wide), while its highest level was recorded in September (454,100). This highlights a stark monthly variation in numbers of self-

employed last year, which could imply that in such unsure economic times, some people turned to self-employment in the face of layoffs or lack of job security.

There was marked monthly variation in self-employment over the course of the year, 2008



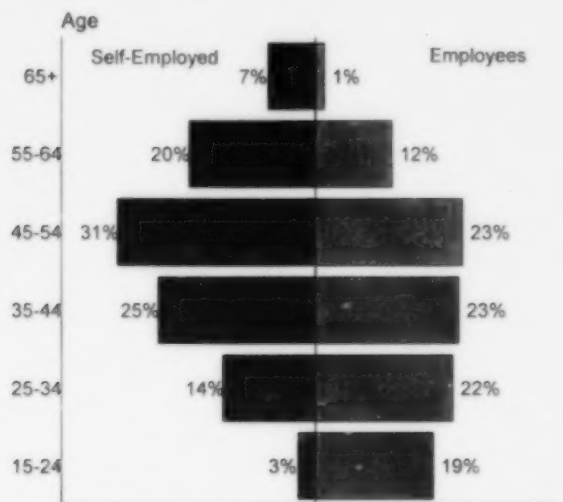
Source: BC Stats using data supplied by Statistics Canada

The self-employed have a different profile than employees

On average, self-employed people tend to be older, are more often men, work longer hours and are less likely to be Aboriginal peoples compared to workers who are employees.

Well over half (56 per cent) of British Columbia's self-employed are between the ages of 35 and 54, compared to just 46 per cent of employees. Similarly, while 40 per cent of employees are under the age of 35, only 17 per cent of self-employed business owners fit this profile. At the other end of the scale, more than a quarter (27 per cent) of entrepreneurs are aged 55 and over, compared to merely 14 per cent of employees.

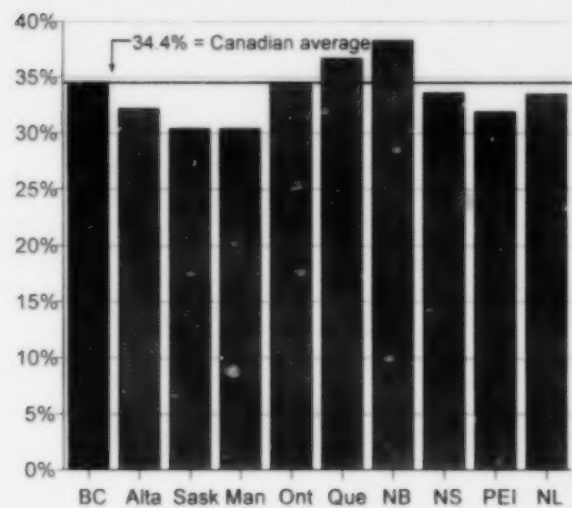
Self employed workers in BC tend to be older on average, 2008



Source: Statistics Canada / Prepared by BC Stats

While workers who are employees are equally likely to be men or women, those who are self-employed are more often male. Indeed, almost two-thirds (65 per cent) of the self-employed were men in British Columbia last year. Despite their lower prevalence among the self-employed, women entrepreneurs in British Columbia, as in other provinces, have made some important strides for business in the province. In 2008, 34.3 per cent of all business owners in British Columbia were women. This was on par with the national average of 34.4 per cent and the fourth highest rate among the provinces.

Women make up a substantial proportion of self-employed workers, 2008



Source: Statistics Canada / Prepared by BC Stats

On average, the self-employed have much longer work days compared to employees. While most employees in British Columbia (65 per cent) work between 35 and 40 hours per week, only 30 per cent of the self-employed fit this category. Nearly a third (30 per cent) of self-employed work 50 or more hours per week, compared to just four per cent of employees. The average work week for self-employed workers in 2008 was 39.2 hours, compared to 35.1 hours for employees.

Aboriginal peoples living off-reserve continue to be significantly less likely to be self-employed than non-aboriginals. In the period from April 2008 to March 2009, 15.1 per cent of Aboriginal peoples in British Columbia were self-employed, compared to 18.6 per cent of non-Aboriginals who worked for themselves. Those Aboriginal peoples that defined themselves as Métis were more likely to be self-employed (17.1 per cent) than those who were self-identified as North American Indian (13.9 per cent).

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Whenever possible we use **seasonally adjusted** data which removes normal seasonal variations to reveal the underlying trends in the data. Adjusted data are identified as Seasonally Adjusted or SA.

Some series subject to irregular fluctuations are presented on a **three month moving average** basis. All such series included in this report are also seasonally adjusted. Where space is limited these are tagged 3MMA SA.

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Abbreviations

3MMA SA: three month moving average, seasonally adjusted

Ave: average

bd ft: board feet

C6: a group of six currencies including European Monetary Union Euro, British pound, French franc, German mark, Swiss franc, and Japanese yen

Can: Canada, Canadian

GW.h.: gigawatt hour = watt hour x 10⁹

m3: cubic metres

mil: million

MLS: Multiple Listing Service

Moly: molybdenum

mt: month (as in: previous mt)

NAICS: North American Industrial Classification System

SA: seasonally adjusted

T.S.E.: Toronto Stock Exchange

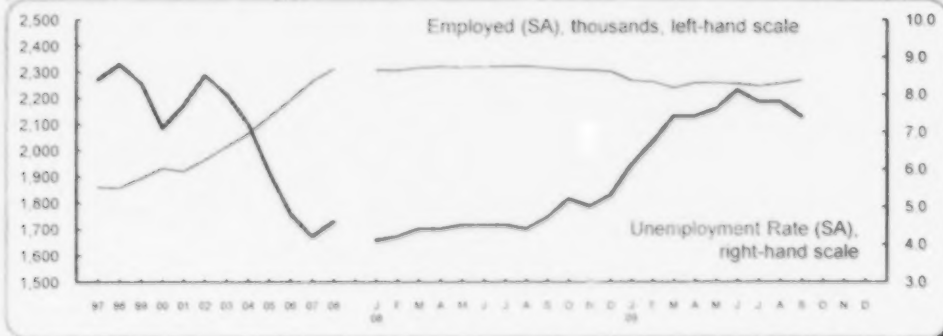
US: United States of America

WSPF: Western spruce-pine-fir

1 Labour and Earnings

Source: Statistics Canada

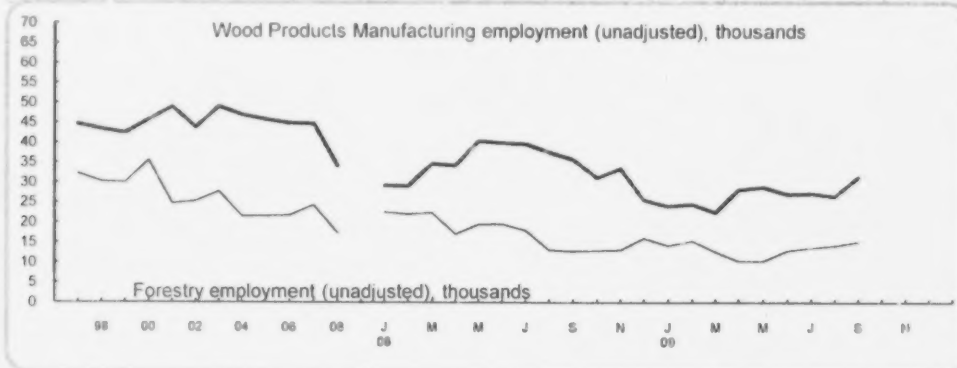
Period	Labour Force Activity				Earnings			Employment Insurance: Regular E.I. Benefits	
	Labour Force	Employed	Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate	Average Actual Hours Worked	Wages and Salaries	Average Weekly Wage Rate	Number of Beneficiaries	\$
	Thousands of persons		%		Number	\$ million	\$	(Persons)	thousand
	Seasonally Adjusted (SA)				Unadjusted	SA		Unadjusted	
2005	2,263.4	2,130.5	5.9	65.6	32.6	74,454.9	704.40	638,940	837,431.4
2006	2,305.1	2,195.5	4.8	65.7	32.5	81,623.0	726.02	532,520	723,659.5
2007	2,366.4	2,266.3	4.2	66.3	32.9	86,213.2	747.84	487,550	694,335.8
2008	2,425.9	2,314.3	4.6	66.6	32.4	90,831.3	780.85	547,450	807,379.6
Jan-07	2,349.5	2,247.6	4.3	66.3	33.2	6,997.9	743.37	53,800	85,957.3
Feb-07	2,350.0	2,253.4	4.1	66.2	33.2	7,022.4	743.33	50,290	66,382.3
Mar-07	2,353.7	2,259.9	4.0	66.3	33.0	7,066.9	743.18	45,890	60,486.6
Apr-07	2,348.0	2,242.1	4.5	66.0	34.0	7,091.5	748.06	41,300	65,779.4
May-07	2,363.8	2,262.7	4.3	66.4	33.8	7,138.6	741.59	37,330	52,170.1
Jun-07	2,365.6	2,261.0	4.4	66.3	33.6	7,210.2	740.27	33,430	44,609.7
Jul-07	2,355.8	2,257.7	4.2	65.9	32.0	7,221.5	744.19	38,900	51,487.0
Aug-07	2,362.8	2,267.7	4.0	66.0	31.3	7,156.9	756.53	41,380	54,464.2
Sep-07	2,376.9	2,273.5	4.4	66.3	33.7	7,204.6	754.74	30,240	52,048.2
Oct-07	2,380.1	2,278.8	4.3	66.3	30.7	7,275.0	748.87	32,320	43,968.1
Nov-07	2,397.4	2,298.8	4.1	66.6	32.9	7,387.9	753.78	38,290	48,969.4
Dec-07	2,396.4	2,298.0	4.1	66.5	33.5	7,439.9	755.66	44,380	68,013.6
Jan-08	2,406.2	2,307.9	4.1	66.7	33.0	7,483.2	771.68	52,650	76,914.9
Feb-08	2,407.1	2,306.4	4.2	66.6	32.9	7,516.8	766.55	51,520	71,358.9
Mar-08	2,423.6	2,316.7	4.4	67.0	32.8	7,529.7	761.02	46,920	79,137.2
Apr-08	2,427.0	2,320.2	4.4	66.9	33.3	7,536.1	772.40	43,950	63,446.3
May-08	2,428.3	2,318.9	4.5	66.9	33.2	7,570.2	777.77	40,630	57,967.1
Jun-08	2,430.5	2,319.9	4.5	66.8	33.8	7,576.9	782.92	36,880	63,590.5
Jul-08	2,431.1	2,321.6	4.5	66.7	31.8	7,550.5	788.11	43,780	54,026.3
Aug-08	2,429.2	2,322.7	4.4	66.5	31.5	7,600.5	777.68	46,450	64,196.5
Sep-08	2,431.2	2,316.0	4.7	66.5	33.4	7,611.9	790.43	34,890	66,127.3
Oct-08	2,434.6	2,309.0	5.2	66.4	30.1	7,642.7	795.65	39,380	50,760.1
Nov-08	2,428.1	2,307.4	5.0	66.2	29.7	7,596.0	789.82	48,810	73,063.6
Dec-08	2,432.5	2,302.7	5.3	66.2	33.0	7,609.8	796.71	61,590	86,790.8
Jan-09	2,415.1	2,267.6	6.1	65.7	32.3	7,517.5	799.72	78,910	112,013.3
Feb-09	2,424.4	2,262.7	6.7	65.8	32.2	7,461.2	798.07	84,920	118,829.3
Mar-09	2,420.2	2,240.1	7.4	65.7	30.2	7,464.4	790.02	102,120	155,820.0
Apr-09	2,437.1	2,257.4	7.4	66.0	30.5	7,384.1	802.16	96,550	151,106.3
May-09	2,443.2	2,258.8	7.6	66.1	32.1	7,426.6	790.22	91,750	164,147.8
Jun-09	2,453.6	2,254.7	8.1	66.3	32.9	7,365.4	793.27	87,370	129,574.1
Jul-09	2,436.0	2,247.1	7.8	65.7	31.3	-	789.41	90,800	129,815.8
Aug-09	2,447.0	2,255.7	7.8	65.9	30.3	-	806.56	93,220	165,749.1
Sep-09	2,452.7	2,270.1	7.4	65.9	33.3	-	810.36	-	-
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(last 2 avg) YTD	a 2,436.6	a 2,257.1	a 7.4	a 65.9	a 31.7	t 44,819.2	a 797.76	a 90,705	t 1,127,055.7
% change	0.5	-2.6	n/a	n/a	-3.6	-1.3	2.7	100.0	112.4
Last 12 months	2,435.4	2,269.4	6.8	66.0	31.5	90,237.7	796.83	75,859	1,403,797.5
Previous 12	2,415.7	2,310.5	4.4	66.7	32.7	88,898.7	770.57	42,334	743,637.1
% change	0.8	-1.8	n/a	n/a	-3.6	1.5	3.4	79.2	88.8
% ch. year ago	0.9	-2.0	n/a	n/a	-0.3	-2.8	2.5	100.7	158.2
% ch. prev month	0.2	0.6	n/a	n/a	9.9	-0.8	0.5	2.7	27.7



2 Employment by Industry – Goods

Source: Statistics Canada, 2001
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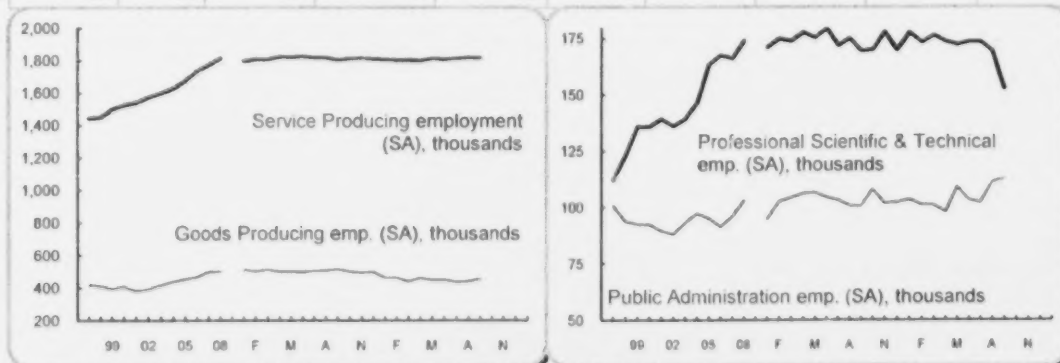
Period	Thousands of persons							Manufacturing			
	Goods Producing	Agriculture	Forestry	Fishing & Trapping	Mining	Utilities	Construction	Food	Wood	Paper	Total
	SA	Unadjusted			SA	Unadjusted			SA		
2005	452.7	38.7	21.6	2.1	13.8	10.3	168.0	26.4	45.8	12.3	198.2
2006	463.9	34.7	21.7	2.7	19.4	8.6	179.3	19.5	44.8	15.1	197.5
2007	495.7	36.2	24.3	2.9	20.0	10.3	196.9	23.0	44.7	15.2	205.1
2008	501.5	33.7	17.4	2.2	25.8	14.2	220.8	24.5	34.3	13.2	187.4
Jan-07	492.5	34.4	23.1	1.7	24.0	7.9	194.2	21.3	35.8	14.3	205.6
Feb-07	485.9	35.2	20.7	-	23.9	9.3	187.1	20.3	37.2	15.9	207.1
Mar-07	489.6	33.2	20.2	1.9	20.0	8.2	191.5	22.4	45.1	16.7	211.4
Apr-07	496.7	32.3	20.3	4.0	18.7	8.7	195.2	25.1	41.0	16.5	212.6
May-07	495.9	36.0	23.7	3.0	18.7	8.2	200.2	25.3	42.9	17.9	205.6
Jun-07	498.4	35.4	27.3	1.8	21.0	9.3	198.5	22.4	49.4	14.5	208.4
Jul-07	485.5	36.3	26.8	2.2	19.8	11.8	187.3	21.6	53.3	16.3	203.8
Aug-07	491.3	34.3	25.0	6.1	19.7	11.4	195.7	22.1	55.4	16.4	202.0
Sep-07	503.6	38.2	24.0	3.5	18.5	10.6	199.1	24.5	54.2	14.4	210.2
Oct-07	499.1	40.7	26.9	3.2	19.7	12.7	193.6	23.0	46.1	12.3	204.4
Nov-07	509.1	40.0	27.3	2.6	16.7	12.5	207.7	23.8	41.3	13.8	201.3
Dec-07	503.2	39.5	26.7	3.1	19.4	13.2	212.4	23.9	34.9	13.7	188.9
Jan-08	510.4	43.2	22.6	3.2	20.2	14.6	212.8	26.3	29.3	19.4	193.0
Feb-08	499.8	37.7	22.0	3.1	19.9	14.4	216.0	24.1	29.1	15.5	185.5
Mar-08	510.6	38.0	22.4	2.5	18.5	15.7	220.3	28.0	34.7	16.5	190.2
Apr-08	498.0	35.1	17.1	1.8	24.9	13.2	218.9	19.2	34.3	14.1	182.2
May-08	497.6	29.8	19.5	1.8	24.0	12.8	221.1	20.6	40.4	11.1	188.1
Jun-08	495.9	32.8	19.6	1.6	25.0	13.4	216.8	21.2	39.9	10.9	189.5
Jul-08	503.6	31.9	18.0	-	27.5	14.6	222.3	26.7	39.6	11.3	190.2
Aug-08	505.5	34.4	13.1	2.5	28.8	15.3	226.9	23.5	37.6	11.3	186.9
Sep-08	511.8	31.9	12.8	2.1	29.9	14.5	235.2	23.9	35.8	11.1	186.0
Oct-08	497.6	31.0	13.0	2.4	29.1	15.1	225.3	24.6	31.2	12.4	183.3
Nov-08	493.7	29.8	13.1	2.0	29.8	13.9	219.6	27.3	33.6	11.3	184.8
Dec-08	494.2	30.6	16.1	2.0	31.7	12.6	213.5	28.4	25.7	13.6	188.0
Jan-09	460.2	27.6	14.3	3.1	28.4	12.8	203.3	25.5	24.2	11.7	169.9
Feb-09	460.3	30.1	15.4	3.4	25.5	10.5	203.8	28.9	24.6	13.9	170.2
Mar-09	439.0	30.3	12.7	2.3	25.9	12.7	187.8	31.0	22.6	12.2	163.6
Apr-09	458.7	33.4	10.4	2.7	23.3	13.3	195.2	28.9	28.2	12.8	175.9
May-09	447.6	34.5	10.4	1.5	25.3	13.0	195.7	31.3	28.9	9.3	165.6
Jun-09	447.5	37.1	13.0	1.9	23.5	13.1	197.2	31.4	27.1	12.0	162.7
Jul-09	434.6	34.8	13.7	2.1	24.6	11.3	193.1	22.5	27.3	10.9	156.9
Aug-09	439.2	33.8	14.2	1.9	26.2	9.9	191.7	24.0	26.6	8.6	163.9
Sep-09	454.5	36.9	15.2	1.9	21.8	13.5	195.7	26.2	31.4	11.1	169.8
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	a 449.1	a 33.2	a 13.3	a 2.3	a 24.9	a 12.2	a 195.9	a 27.7	a 26.8	a 11.4	a 166.5
% change	-10.8	-5.2	-28.6	11.8	2.7	-14.3	-11.4	17.0	-24.9	-15.5	-11.4
Last 12 months	460.6	32.5	13.5	2.3	26.3	12.6	201.8	27.5	27.5	11.6	171.2
Previous 12	503.7	36.3	20.7	2.3	22.9	13.9	217.0	23.7	36.9	13.4	190.5
% change	-8.6	-10.4	-34.9	-1.1	14.8	-9.1	-7.0	16.1	-25.2	-13.2	-
% ch. year ago	-11.2	15.7	18.8	-9.5	-27.1	-6.9	-16.8	9.6	-12.3	0.0	-8.7
% ch. prev mth	3.5	9.2	7.0	0.0	-16.8	36.4	2.1	9.2	18.0	29.1	3.6



3 Employment by Industry – Services

Source: Statistics Canada

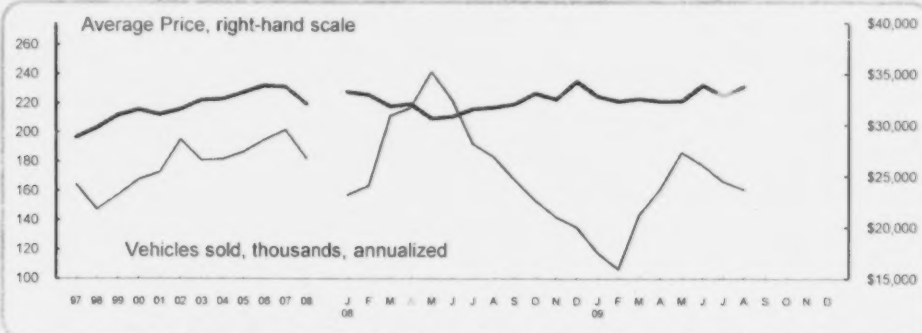
Period	Service Producing Sectors	Trade	Transporta- tion & Ware- housing	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	Professional Scientific Technical	Education	Health & Social Assistance	Information, Culture & Recreation	Accom- modation	Public Admin- istration
Thousands of persons										
Seasonally Adjusted										
2005	1,677.8	334.6	118.7	132.9	163.6	146.1	217.4	112.1	175.8	95.1
2006	1,731.6	353.7	119.5	138.0	167.6	156.0	232.2	113.2	170.5	91.3
2007	1,770.6	365.0	125.6	145.0	166.3	156.1	239.7	117.8	172.7	95.9
2008	1,812.8	354.8	128.0	147.2	174.0	161.6	118.1	118.1	178.1	102.9
Jan-07	1,755.2	355.7	122.0	137.6	166.8	153.8	233.9	115.4	180.6	95.9
Feb-07	1,767.5	358.8	131.5	139.9	168.9	160.2	243.2	115.4	171.2	91.2
Mar-07	1,770.3	356.2	125.2	149.2	161.1	163.5	248.5	123.3	172.0	92.1
Apr-07	1,745.3	350.0	123.6	145.2	163.0	157.9	241.6	121.6	164.8	94.0
May-07	1,766.8	365.8	126.1	149.4	172.7	157.7	234.4	120.7	168.1	92.0
Jun-07	1,762.5	364.8	122.9	148.0	171.3	150.4	242.0	114.4	174.0	95.5
Jul-07	1,772.2	379.0	125.4	150.0	175.9	141.3	239.1	110.6	170.0	96.7
Aug-07	1,776.4	376.9	123.0	149.2	168.2	145.7	235.3	118.0	182.5	95.6
Sep-07	1,769.9	367.3	121.6	143.8	162.7	161.7	236.5	113.8	173.2	98.2
Oct-07	1,779.7	373.8	123.3	142.6	161.8	158.4	243.7	115.2	173.2	97.0
Nov-07	1,789.7	369.1	128.9	142.7	163.2	159.8	241.9	120.9	172.5	98.6
Dec-07	1,794.8	364.4	135.5	141.9	160.1	159.9	235.9	126.3	170.1	104.9
Jan-08	1,797.5	354.2	129.4	145.1	171.2	166.2	246.3	117.6	170.6	94.8
Feb-08	1,806.6	359.0	128.8	147.9	175.0	156.9	240.9	121.5	177.6	102.5
Mar-08	1,806.1	362.9	130.2	134.1	174.1	155.5	240.6	118.0	179.5	104.4
Apr-08	1,822.2	360.8	133.0	142.2	177.9	162.7	233.1	119.5	183.6	106.1
May-08	1,821.3	350.9	127.1	150.8	175.5	165.0	239.5	121.9	184.3	106.5
Jun-08	1,824.0	356.5	131.4	144.9	179.6	167.8	244.6	116.5	177.6	104.5
Jul-08	1,818.0	349.2	126.6	155.4	172.0	163.7	245.9	121.5	177.1	103.1
Aug-08	1,817.2	361.7	131.3	142.0	175.1	160.4	243.3	117.3	177.0	100.7
Sep-08	1,804.2	346.7	128.0	148.9	169.6	158.2	253.0	119.7	174.8	100.4
Oct-08	1,811.4	346.6	128.4	151.2	170.1	160.9	255.3	114.6	173.4	108.0
Nov-08	1,813.7	349.9	115.3	155.4	178.0	160.3	254.8	115.7	177.6	101.8
Dec-08	1,808.6	358.0	126.2	149.0	170.0	161.7	249.8	114.1	183.0	102.2
Jan-09	1,807.4	351.3	120.8	151.2	177.8	157.2	255.3	121.1	180.6	103.4
Feb-09	1,802.4	350.6	118.0	148.2	173.4	160.6	259.4	120.5	176.4	101.0
Mar-09	1,801.1	347.9	121.7	139.7	176.5	158.1	259.8	115.1	183.6	100.9
Apr-09	1,798.7	360.5	116.8	132.0	173.8	162.4	266.2	118.3	175.6	98.0
May-09	1,811.2	371.9	114.8	131.3	172.4	159.9	255.8	115.3	175.7	108.9
Jun-09	1,807.2	370.4	110.1	134.2	173.7	160.4	258.0	124.9	173.6	103.1
Jul-09	1,812.5	375.7	113.5	144.7	173.7	155.2	262.0	128.5	166.9	102.2
Aug-09	1,816.4	382.1	115.2	138.1	169.6	168.2	252.3	126.7	163.7	111.2
Sep-09	1,815.6	382.0	113.1	148.1	153.0	165.5	263.3	115.8	166.3	113.0
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, 2-avg) YTD	a 1,808.1	a 365.8	a 116.0	a 140.8	a 171.5	a 160.8	a 259.1	a 120.7	a 173.6	a 104.6
% change	-0.3	2.8	-10.4	-3.3	-1.7	-0.6	6.6	1.2	-2.5	2.0
Last 12 months	1,808.9	362.2	117.8	143.6	171.8	160.9	257.7	119.2	174.7	104.5
Previous 12	1,806.8	359.1	129.5	144.9	171.3	161.2	242.4	119.7	176.5	102.0
% change	0.1	0.9	-9.0	-0.9	0.3	-0.2	6.3	-0.4	-1.0	2.5
% ch. year ago	0.6	10.2	-11.6	-0.5	-9.8	4.6	4.1	-3.3	-4.9	12.5
% ch. prev mth	0.0	0.0	-1.8	7.2	-9.8	-1.6	4.4	-8.6	1.6	1.6



4 Business & Consumer

Incorporations/Corporate & Personal Registries,
BC Gov. CPI, Retail, MV Sales/Statistics Canada

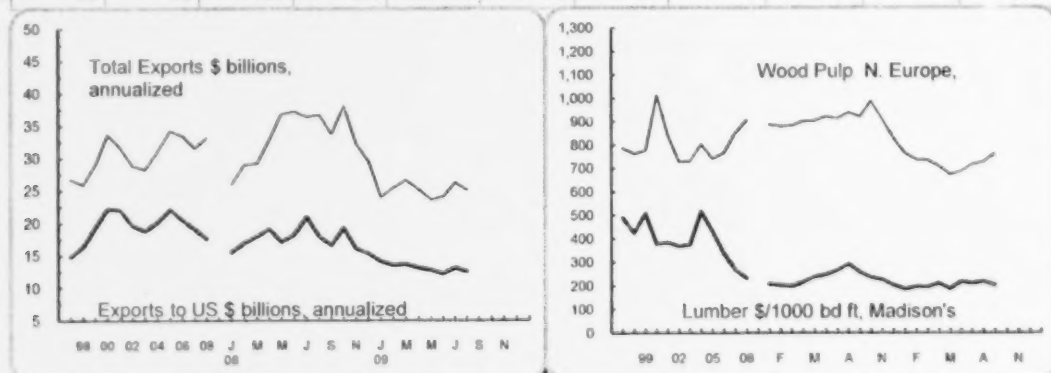
Period	Business					Consumer			
	Wholesale Sales	Business Incorporations	Bankruptcies Office of Superintendent of Bankruptcy Canada		Consumer Price Index (BC)	Retail Sales, All Stores		New Motor Vehicle Sales	
			Business	Consumer		British Columbia	Vancouver, Metropolitan	Units	Value
	\$ million		Number		(2002=100)	\$ million		Number	\$ thousand
	SA		Unadjusted			SA		Unadjusted	
2005	45,447.4	28,593	786	8,173	106.3	49,286.3	22,702.6	186,581	6,192,896
2006	49,293.5	30,667	587	7,021	108.1	52,837.1	24,110.2	194,648	6,587,723
2007	53,390.7	30,841	470	6,650	110.0	56,365.4	25,342.8	201,596	6,803,621
2008	52,856.6	-	454	7,293	112.3	56,562.4	25,290.5	182,080	5,837,363
Jan-07	4,386.2	2,527	50	551	109.0	4,545.7	1,814.4	12,108	420,695
Feb-07	4,440.6	2,520	33	609	109.1	4,602.4	1,767.0	13,650	475,035
Mar-07	4,457.0	2,683	35	636	109.5	4,670.8	2,055.8	18,424	628,068
Apr-07	4,387.0	2,398	42	574	109.9	4,661.9	2,037.5	19,038	620,420
May-07	4,392.6	2,887	42	606	110.5	4,701.7	2,254.9	21,207	696,548
Jun-07	4,565.5	2,821	44	553	110.3	4,691.8	2,231.8	20,505	683,624
Jul-07	4,622.8	2,455	36	526	110.5	4,707.3	2,145.6	17,836	590,211
Aug-07	4,440.9	2,577	34	494	110.4	4,715.5	2,184.5	18,155	591,555
Sep-07	4,393.2	2,407	35	505	110.5	4,700.8	2,093.2	16,002	531,729
Oct-07	4,446.2	2,736	35	537	110.0	4,734.2	2,079.6	14,089	490,275
Nov-07	4,461.7	2,466	46	580	110.1	4,794.1	2,103.4	14,182	488,331
Dec-07	4,396.8	2,364	38	480	110.1	4,839.3	2,575.0	16,400	587,130
Jan-08	4,270.4	2,492	31	506	109.9	4,818.1	1,937.5	13,091	434,796
Feb-08	4,360.5	2,502	44	603	110.3	4,763.4	1,879.8	13,621	448,885
Mar-08	4,328.5	2,478	32	538	110.8	4,812.2	2,040.1	17,603	559,764
Apr-08	4,448.2	2,733	30	578	111.8	4,789.0	2,107.8	18,069	578,704
May-08	4,393.2	2,508	32	564	112.8	4,770.2	2,308.1	20,105	615,582
Jun-08	4,406.2	-	33	546	113.6	4,818.8	2,210.3	18,487	569,748
Jul-08	4,429.5	-	40	599	114.2	4,787.4	2,194.2	15,993	504,815
Aug-08	4,617.6	-	48	546	114.0	4,741.2	2,170.8	15,260	483,843
Sep-08	4,530.3	-	52	670	114.1	4,758.3	2,101.5	13,973	447,480
Oct-08	4,464.5	-	41	745	112.8	4,695.6	2,083.5	12,784	422,844
Nov-08	4,413.6	-	30	715	112.3	4,547.4	1,962.4	11,836	384,987
Dec-08	4,194.1	-	41	683	111.4	4,261.2	2,294.6	11,258	385,915
Jan-09	4,087.8	-	25	767	111.4	4,387.4	1,809.7	9,830	322,636
Feb-09	4,017.6	-	48	889	111.9	4,357.7	1,644.1	8,871	286,717
Mar-09	3,901.6	-	35	960	112.0	4,302.0	1,820.7	11,958	389,460
Apr-09	3,975.3	-	42	968	112.1	4,366.2	1,951.1	13,440	434,327
May-09	4,024.3	-	35	869	112.9	4,391.8	2,110.4	15,520	502,202
Jun-09	4,141.3	-	47	947	112.8	4,444.3	2,087.8	14,775	500,523
Jul-09	4,156.8	-	28	985	112.4	4,403.5	2,102.9	13,860	455,607
Aug-09	4,089.3	-	24	832	112.8	4,437.4	2,073.7	13,392	451,764
Sep-09	-	-	-	-	112.7	-	-	-	-
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, 3-avg) YTD	† 32,394.0	† 12,713	† 284	† 7,217	a 112.3	† 35,080.3	† 15,600.5	† 101,646	† 3,343,236
% change	-8.1	-2.3	-2.1	61.1	0.0	-8.4	-7.4	-23.1	-20.3
Last 12 months	49,996.6	30,539	448	10,030	112.3	53,352.7	24,042.4	151,497	4,984,462
Previous 12	52,951.9	30,455	444	6,582	111.8	57,368.6	25,699.9	192,902	6,293,602
% change	-5.6	0.3	0.9	52.4	0.4	-7.0	-6.4	-21.5	-20.8
% ch. year ago	-11.4	-13.1	-50.0	52.4	-1.2	-6.4	-4.5	-12.2	-6.6
% ch. prev mth	-1.6	-6.2	-14.3	-15.5	-0.1	0.8	-1.4	-3.4	-0.8



5 Foreign Trade & Commodities

Exports, Imports/Statistics Canada. Lumber/Madison's.
Metals/London Metal Exchange. Oil/W Texas Intermed.

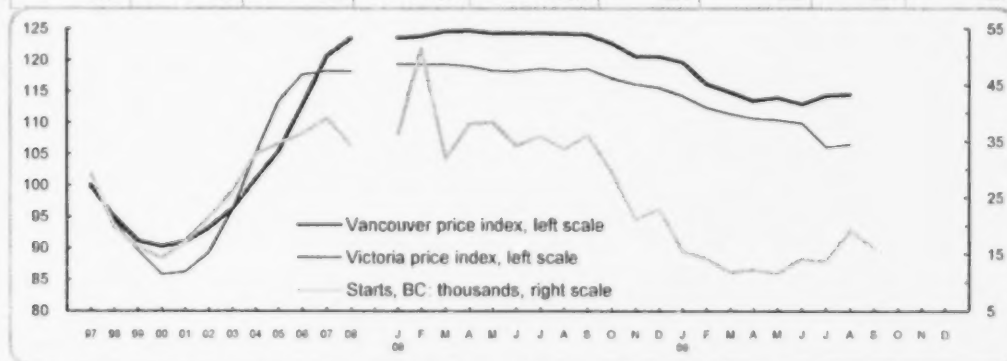
BC Origin Exports to			Imports through BC ports	Commodity Prices in Canadian \$ (conversion to \$C by Treasury Board Staff)						
Total All Countries	United States	Japan		Lumber WSPF Madison's	Wood Pulp N. Europe	Copper London	Gold London	Silver London	Zinc London	Crude Oil
\$ million				\$/1000 bd ft	\$/tonne	\$/lb.	\$/troy oz.	\$/troy oz.	\$/lb.	\$ per Barrel
Unadjusted										
34,167.3	22,101.5	4,163.8	35,295.3	430.78	741.26	2.02	538.18	8.86	0.75	68.28
33,470.9	20,518.2	4,709.8	38,897.6	336.67	764.05	3.46	685.14	13.12	1.69	74.94
31,560.5	19,090.6	4,134.6	38,705.1	267.93	849.67	3.46	745.21	14.35	1.59	76.86
33,165.3	17,601.8	5,022.4	42,991.0	231.68	905.18	3.30	926.32	15.70	0.89	104.17
2,608.3	1,657.9	329.0	3,066.5	310.45	867.84	3.03	742.21	15.10	2.02	64.17
2,462.5	1,523.9	318.2	2,850.8	298.52	882.68	3.03	778.20	16.28	1.77	69.37
2,939.2	1,807.8	401.9	3,330.6	286.23	886.72	3.42	765.07	15.34	1.73	70.75
2,942.9	1,767.7	426.4	3,194.6	271.09	871.10	3.99	770.82	15.57	1.83	72.56
2,868.5	1,684.7	434.6	3,083.7	266.06	849.64	3.83	731.24	14.40	1.91	69.48
2,738.7	1,629.1	364.2	3,259.6	303.57	836.16	3.63	698.20	13.94	1.74	71.88
2,655.0	1,681.7	315.8	3,348.3	284.64	839.22	3.80	698.79	13.55	1.69	77.91
2,722.6	1,674.7	299.7	3,625.2	276.20	846.58	3.60	704.15	13.01	1.56	76.60
2,448.1	1,488.0	282.9	3,188.9	244.03	831.56	3.57	730.41	13.18	1.34	81.96
2,462.2	1,472.9	327.0	3,629.2	215.53	808.47	3.55	735.82	13.33	1.32	84.06
2,380.0	1,353.0	320.6	3,211.9	230.17	812.38	3.06	779.74	14.16	1.11	91.51
2,332.5	1,349.0	314.4	2,915.8	228.72	863.71	3.02	807.86	14.39	1.07	92.02
2,164.6	1,295.7	230.2	2,992.4	206.27	884.74	3.25	899.50	16.20	1.07	93.98
2,417.0	1,413.4	323.9	3,093.4	202.81	879.20	3.60	921.91	17.63	1.11	95.26
2,430.7	1,494.4	257.4	3,416.7	198.40	881.78	3.84	970.39	19.33	1.14	105.77
2,733.7	1,592.9	352.1	3,539.5	214.94	900.33	4.00	922.33	17.70	1.04	114.13
3,069.2	1,429.1	569.5	3,364.9	236.85	903.43	3.79	888.10	17.02	0.99	125.31
3,103.3	1,516.3	543.3	3,722.4	246.05	919.13	3.82	904.37	17.27	0.87	136.17
3,033.6	1,746.1	331.3	3,840.4	264.31	912.44	3.86	951.70	18.27	0.85	135.13
3,060.8	1,494.1	601.3	3,698.1	291.01	937.36	3.66	884.51	15.27	0.82	122.95
2,814.7	1,388.9	467.2	3,881.0	257.17	919.66	3.34	878.38	12.88	0.84	109.96
3,173.5	1,607.0	409.3	4,250.3	234.58	985.71	2.63	956.51	12.20	0.70	90.81
2,692.8	1,345.0	533.7	3,752.6	226.58	909.98	2.06	926.60	11.94	0.63	69.97
2,471.3	1,279.0	403.2	3,379.4	201.22	828.35	1.73	1,011.55	12.70	0.62	50.64
2,000.2	1,177.5	246.6	3,149.9	185.17	762.76	1.81	1,053.01	13.84	0.66	51.19
2,117.4	1,126.0	277.0	2,987.3	195.49	734.63	1.88	1,174.37	16.70	0.62	48.76
2,218.8	1,136.3	374.0	3,140.4	194.74	732.15	2.16	1,168.75	16.59	0.70	60.67
2,097.5	1,091.9	362.4	2,897.9	209.31	707.50	2.46	1,089.08	15.30	0.76	60.95
1,967.6	1,064.6	239.9	2,768.9	186.45	672.14	2.39	1,068.79	16.15	0.77	68.09
2,004.1	1,016.4	296.0	3,041.4	216.29	683.80	2.56	1,065.33	16.50	0.80	78.50
2,182.6	1,089.0	278.6	3,347.7	209.85	714.83	2.66	1,048.37	14.99	0.81	71.92
2,088.8	1,045.6	242.5	3,139.1	216.55	725.84	3.06	1,033.24	15.64	0.90	77.33
-	-	-	-	201.21	760.48	3.04	1,078.07	17.73	0.92	75.14
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16,676.9	8,747.2	2,316.9	24,472.5	201.87	721.57	2.45	1,086.56	15.94	0.77	65.84
-24.2	-27.0	-27.8	-11.7	-14.3	-20.2	-33.6	18.9	-5.4	-20.5	-43.0
27,829.3	14,367.0	4,130.5	39,735.8	206.45	768.18	2.37	1,056.14	15.02	0.74	67.00
31,635.8	17,644.9	4,453.7	40,673.5	232.69	885.22	3.57	878.72	16.12	1.02	108.85
-12.0	-18.6	-7.3	-2.3	-11.3	-13.2	-33.5	20.2	-6.8	-27.3	-37.3
-31.8	-30.0	-59.7	-15.1	-21.8	-17.3	-9.0	22.7	37.7	9.5	-31.7
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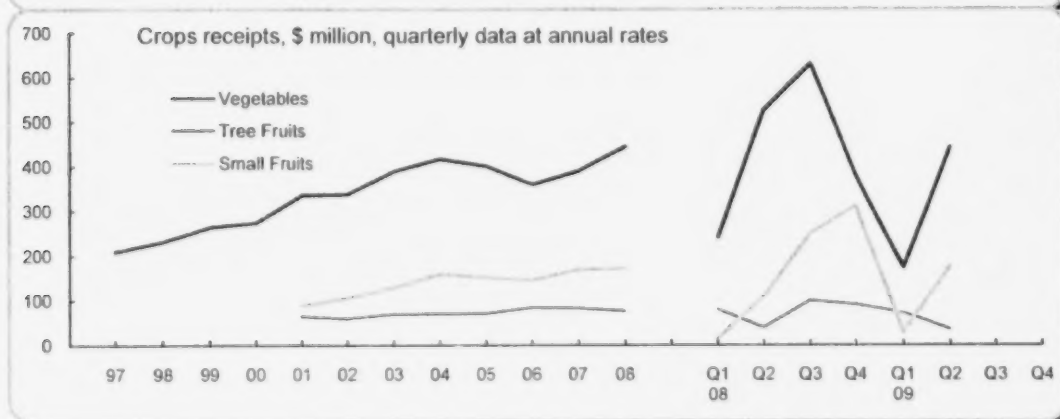
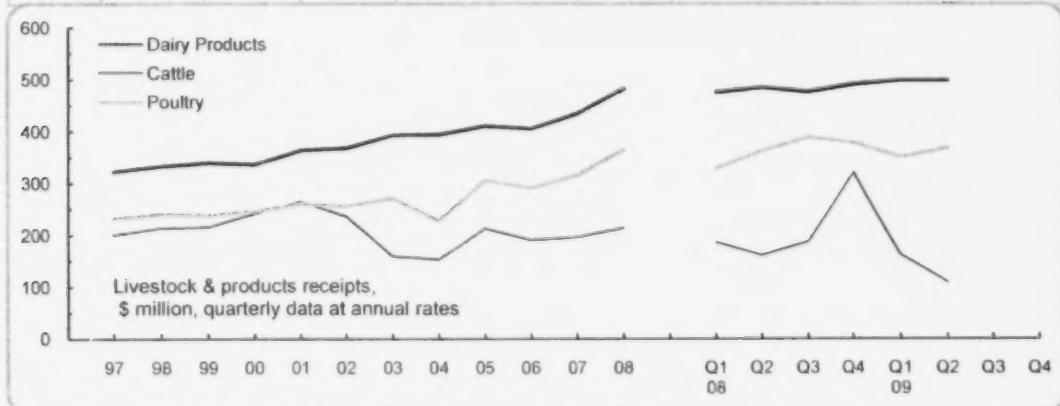
6 Construction and Housing

Housing Starts/Canada Mortgage & Housing Corporation, MLS/Multiple Listing Service.

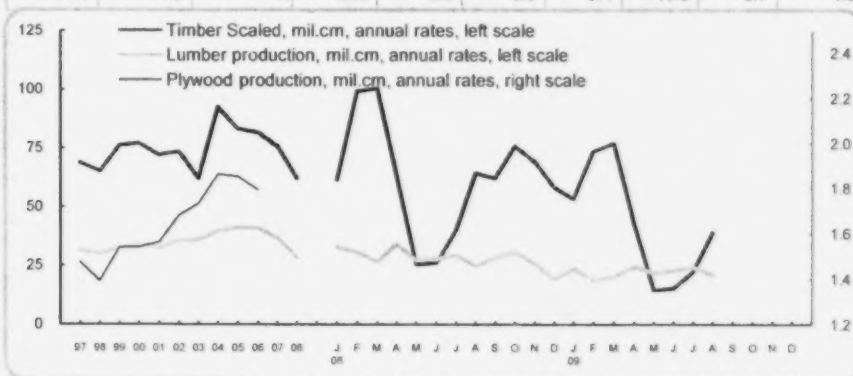
Period	Building Permits (Source: Statistics Canada)					Housing	New House Price Index		MLS®
	Total	Residential	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional & Government	Starts	(Source: Statistics Canada)		Average
						All Areas	Vancouver,	Victoria	Sale Price
							1997=100	\$	
	\$ thousand					Thousands	1997=100		\$
	Seasonally Adjusted					SAAR	Unadjusted		
2005	10,182,924	6,970,787	346,203	1,886,405	979,529	34.7	105.4	113.3	332,137
2006	11,541,532	7,620,696	358,843	2,493,684	1,068,309	36.4	112.7	117.7	390,963
2007	12,544,691	8,611,723	323,893	2,647,905	961,170	39.2	120.7	118.2	439,119
2008	10,577,155	6,899,289	292,221	2,623,509	762,136	34.3	123.5	118.1	454,599
Jan-07	1,057,299	723,602	21,902	199,715	112,080	42.8	116.1	117.4	396,132
Feb-07	820,211	498,004	25,410	251,644	45,153	34.8	116.1	117.4	412,848
Mar-07	1,057,682	721,820	22,955	235,027	77,880	38.5	117.4	117.9	429,080
Apr-07	968,452	689,779	23,940	220,337	34,396	34.6	118.3	116.8	431,858
May-07	1,337,497	925,890	18,313	292,370	100,924	37.4	121.0	118.3	449,060
Jun-07	1,307,956	802,934	35,646	345,228	124,148	38.6	122.1	118.7	445,646
Jul-07	1,004,482	726,375	30,311	177,724	70,072	35.2	122.3	118.7	446,386
Aug-07	1,060,199	671,406	40,960	257,304	90,529	38.4	122.4	118.7	439,931
Sep-07	813,210	610,161	24,853	118,621	59,575	41.8	122.4	118.4	445,205
Oct-07	1,128,578	852,642	21,464	190,997	63,475	42.0	123.2	118.4	449,498
Nov-07	911,994	624,334	30,975	157,780	98,905	52.5	123.5	119.0	451,936
Dec-07	1,077,131	764,776	27,164	201,158	84,033	34.8	123.5	119.0	456,764
Jan-08	839,214	667,794	15,524	127,928	27,968	36.4	123.6	119.3	452,928
Feb-08	942,196	749,449	33,109	111,289	48,349	51.5	123.8	119.3	478,067
Mar-08	957,479	677,168	28,565	208,688	43,058	32.0	124.6	119.3	483,249
Apr-08	1,081,290	702,661	27,680	322,737	28,212	38.2	124.7	119.0	478,044
May-08	1,138,648	644,778	30,066	359,813	103,991	38.5	124.3	118.3	477,144
Jun-08	1,057,258	640,988	18,669	264,177	133,424	34.4	124.3	118.2	463,458
Jul-08	885,552	618,580	18,325	168,559	80,088	36.0	124.3	118.6	444,461
Aug-08	938,667	685,391	29,300	177,843	46,133	33.7	124.2	118.3	421,685
Sep-08	913,478	585,678	22,374	234,580	70,646	36.2	124.1	118.6	412,001
Oct-08	861,101	413,664	27,350	308,337	111,750	29.7	122.7	117.1	420,259
Nov-08	604,940	326,090	18,023	231,230	29,597	21.3	120.6	116.1	395,586
Dec-08	357,333	187,049	23,236	108,328	38,720	23.1	120.6	115.6	429,210
Jan-09	331,542	174,181	16,353	120,385	20,623	15.7	119.7	114.3	412,934
Feb-09	614,624	309,038	24,991	226,265	54,330	14.2	116.2	112.4	425,696
Mar-09	597,510	237,614	30,506	119,386	210,004	11.9	114.9	111.4	424,068
Apr-09	377,433	248,627	10,792	74,856	43,158	12.4	113.5	110.7	449,371
May-09	484,936	261,816	27,982	163,464	31,674	11.7	114.0	110.4	465,048
Jun-09	634,180	312,042	25,965	127,782	168,391	14.1	113.0	109.9	461,880
Jul-09	618,984	373,675	24,338	125,812	95,159	13.7	114.3	106.1	463,972
Aug-09	912,735	346,050	25,657	221,889	319,139	19.3	114.5	106.5	471,078
Sep-09	-	-	-	-	-	16.2	-	-	474,169
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(1-tot, a-avg) YTD	1 4,571,944	1 2,263,043	1 186,584	1 1,179,839	1 942,478	a 14.4	a 115.0	a 110.2	a 449,802
% change	-41.7	-58.0	-7.3	-32.2	84.4	-61.7	-7.4	-7.2	-1.5
Last 12 months	7,308,796	3,775,524	277,567	2,062,314	1,193,391	16.9	117.3	112.4	441,106
Previous 12	11,771,217	8,238,722	305,694	2,409,590	817,211	38.9	123.9	118.8	455,770
% change	-37.9	-54.2	-9.2	-14.4	46.0	-56.4	-5.3	-5.3	-3.2
% ch. year ago	-2.8	-49.5	-12.4	24.8	591.8	-55.2	-7.8	-10.0	15.1
% ch. prev mth	47.5	-7.4	5.4	76.4	235.4	-16.1	0.2	0.4	0.7



Farm Cash Receipts (Source: Statistics Canada)											
Selected Livestock & Products and Overall Total					Selected Crops and Overall Total Crops					Total	
Dairy Products	Cattle	Poultry	Eggs	Total	Veg- tables	Tree Fruits	Small Fruits	Flori- culture	Total	Farm Cash Receipts	
\$ thousand											
Unadjusted											
410,992	213,565	306,837	56,924	1,183,979	401,644	70,316	152,718	222,377	1,068,244	2,372,451	
405,445	191,016	291,724	67,156	1,123,283	359,710	83,230	146,796	268,054	1,060,188	2,288,617	
434,428	196,264	316,764	65,792	1,161,479	390,007	82,408	169,878	264,518	1,154,638	2,416,658	
482,281	214,368	366,191	74,176	1,281,074	445,091	76,647	172,249	290,654	1,232,349	2,612,318	
105,602	47,569	72,884	15,737	273,317	41,525	19,966	4,057	68,775	198,180	506,714	
108,658	36,211	80,488	16,446	264,162	116,735	9,673	23,356	74,065	317,069	610,794	
107,938	36,672	82,183	16,509	279,369	144,804	27,751	71,889	63,484	342,366	635,117	
112,230	75,812	81,209	17,100	344,631	86,943	25,018	70,576	58,194	297,023	664,033	
118,929	46,709	82,583	17,588	299,678	60,370	19,832	4,094	72,970	226,906	555,646	
121,274	40,372	90,936	18,423	293,867	131,764	9,600	27,241	78,583	345,465	654,952	
119,244	46,916	97,540	19,124	316,267	157,774	24,731	62,780	67,357	351,833	683,244	
122,834	80,371	95,132	19,041	371,262	95,183	22,484	78,134	61,744	308,145	718,476	
124,738	40,556	88,074	17,983	306,164	43,427	17,996	7,956	63,102	197,443	534,296	
124,709	27,220	92,250	17,694	283,859	110,738	8,702	44,508	67,956	324,531	630,379	
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1 249,447	1 67,776	1 180,324	1 35,677	1 590,023	1 154,165	1 26,698	1 52,464	1 131,058	1 521,974	1 1,164,675	
3.8	-22.2	3.9	-0.9	-0.6	-19.8	-9.3	67.4	-13.5	-8.8	-3.8	
491,525	195,063	372,996	73,842	1,277,552	407,122	73,913	193,378	260,159	1,181,952	2,566,395	
460,371	199,565	336,911	69,620	1,217,545	423,881	82,201	173,800	273,231	1,211,760	2,509,748	
6.8	-2.3	10.7	6.1	4.9	-4.0	-10.1	11.3	-4.8	-2.5	2.3	
2.8	-32.6	1.4	-4.0	-3.4	-16.0	-9.4	63.4	-13.5	-6.1	-3.8	
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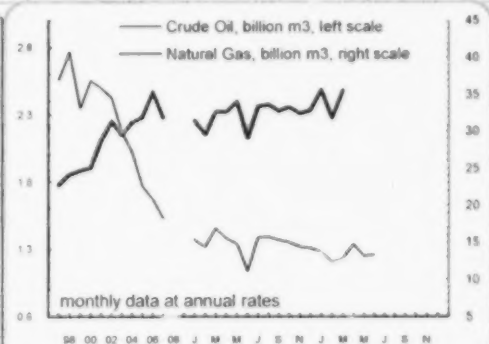
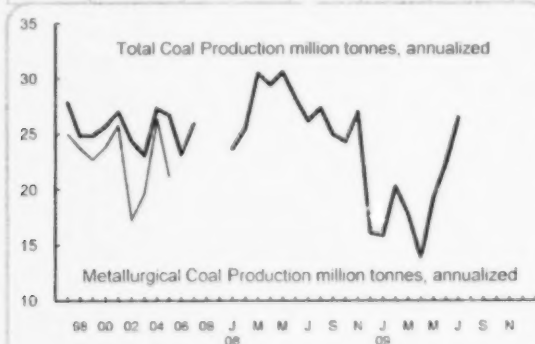
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			Ply- wood	News- print	Other Paper	Total Paper	Market Pulp	News- print	Other paper	Total
		Lumber								
	Cubic metres (000s)	Cubic metres	Thousands of tonnes			Thousands of tonnes				
Unadjusted										
2005	83,134	41,012.9	1,852,861	1,068	1,869	2,937	4,932	1,076	1,877	7,887
2006	81,526	41,050.7	1,794,769	1,058	1,941	2,999	4,736	1,059	1,960	7,756
2007	75,557	36,677.3	-	833	1,914	2,747	4,717	846	1,917	7,181
2008	62,081	28,191.6	-	599	1,889	2,488	4,021	615	1,899	6,532
Jan-07	6,829	3,467.8	X	78	154	232	415	74	161	650
Feb-07	9,954	3,215.9	X	78	157	235	392	71	148	611
Mar-07	10,070	3,438.5	X	90	162	252	365	83	167	615
Apr-07	7,863	3,398.8	X	81	160	241	456	92	159	707
May-07	2,823	3,160.1	X	77	160	237	380	87	162	629
Jun-07	3,359	3,224.5	X	83	152	235	363	82	153	298
Jul-07	4,457	3,290.8	X	89	157	246	422	78	156	657
Aug-07	5,684	2,867.1	X	65	167	232	406	67	157	630
Sep-07	6,256	2,844.5	X	32	149	181	355	45	149	549
Oct-07	6,084	3,035.4	X	46	168	214	414	62	179	655
Nov-07	5,760	2,586.8	X	55	173	228	352	51	166	569
Dec-07	6,418	2,147.1	X	59	155	214	397	54	160	611
Jan-08	5,109	2,744.7	-	51	165	216	351	50	169	570
Feb-08	8,260	2,555.4	-	40	160	200	378	60	155	592
Mar-08	8,370	2,226.3	-	51	158	209	363	40	157	560
Apr-08	5,300	2,850.8	-	52	167	219	395	57	161	613
May-08	2,117	2,269.1	-	56	161	217	369	55	163	588
Jun-08	2,164	2,319.4	-	53	156	209	325	58	157	540
Jul-08	3,320	2,453.1	-	59	158	217	382	51	157	589
Aug-08	5,349	2,065.3	-	49	166	215	296	48	154	497
Sep-08	5,170	2,363.3	-	47	160	207	295	56	162	512
Oct-08	6,309	2,579.2	-	42	160	202	284	45	173	502
Nov-08	5,762	2,156.4	-	51	159	210	258	44	150	452
Dec-08	4,851	1,608.6	-	48	119	167	325	51	141	517
Jan-09	4,443	1,980.3	-	45	144	189	316	39	131	486
Feb-09	6,128	1,562.8	-	42	130	172	270	39	119	427
Mar-09	6,422	1,693.4	-	34	127	161	288	38	137	463
Apr-09	3,544	2,045.9	-	31	121	152	405	36	125	565
May-09	1,214	1,820.9	-	41	127	168	309	44	126	479
Jun-09	1,277	1,920.1	-	36	115	151	284	39	123	446
Jul-09	1,847	2,011.1	-	38	143	181	319	37	135	492
Aug-09	3,238	1,772.7	-	32	139	171	329	32	140	501
Sep-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, 2-avg) YTD	1 28,113	1 14,807	X	1 299	1 1,046	1 1,345	1 2,520	1 304	1 1,036	1 3,859
% change	-29.7	-24.0	X	-27.3	-19.0	-21.0	-11.9	-27.4	-18.6	-15.2
Last 12 months	50,205	23,515	X	487	1,644	2,131	3,682	500	1,662	5,842
Previous 12	64,507	30,098	1,794,769	603	1,936	2,539	4,377	631	1,927	6,933
% change	-22.2	-21.9	X	-19.2	-15.1	-16.1	-15.9	-20.8	-13.8	-15.7
% ch. year ago	-39.5	-14.2	X	-34.7	-16.3	-20.5	11.1	-33.3	-9.1	0.8
% ch. prev mnth	75.3	-11.9	X	-15.8	-2.8	-5.5	3.1	-13.5	3.7	1.8



9 Mining and Energy

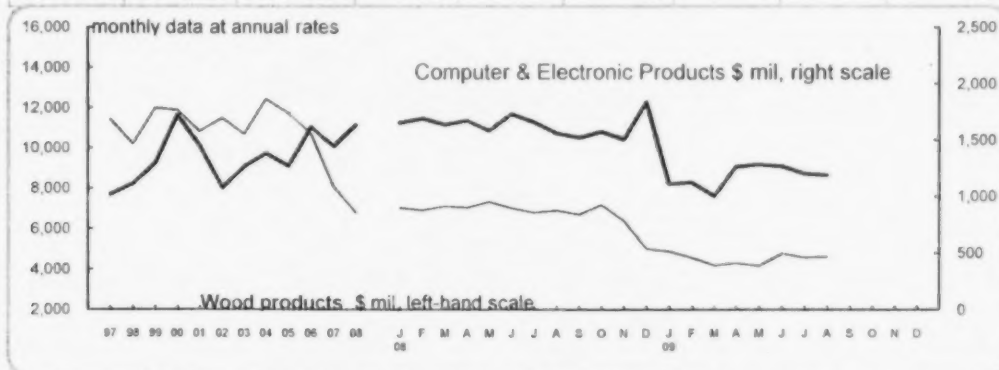
Coal/Statistics Canada (total) & Min. of Energy and Mines, Metals/Ministry of Energy and Mines & Natural Resources Canada Energy/Statistics Canada

Period	Coal			Base Metal				Precious Metal		Energy		
	Thermal	Metal-lurgical	Total	Copper	Lead	Zinc	Moly	Gold	Silver	Natural Gas	Crude Oil	Electricity
	Thousands of tonnes			Million kilograms				Million grams		Million m3	Thousand m3	MW h
	Unadjusted											
2005	643.0	21,223.4	26,718.0	289.4	3.7	49.2	7.7	16.7	451.0	31,892.8	1,765.7	67,811,173
2006	-	-	23,161.0	287.6	2.6	32.9	7.1	15.6	354.0	35,291.7	1,670.6	62,021,396
2007	-	-	25,941.0	245.5	2.5	30.2	6.8	12.0	258.0	31,815.5	1,529.2	72,216,986
2008	-	-	26,163.0	216.3	2.0	27.4	9.2	9.2	123.0	32,300.3	1,341.8	65,855,542
Jan-07	-	-	1,352.0	19.3	0.2	4.8	0.6	0.9	15.9	2,648.4	131.3	6,521,268
Feb-07	-	-	2,022.0	19.3	0.0	0.4	0.6	1.0	28.2	2,447.2	123.5	6,008,106
Mar-07	-	-	2,168.0	24.9	0.2	0.4	0.6	1.3	20.4	2,695.1	138.0	5,831,800
Apr-07	-	-	2,357.0	21.4	0.2	4.1	0.4	1.0	32.6	2,689.9	141.1	5,457,848
May-07	-	-	2,593.0	19.6	0.0	0.7	0.5	1.1	27.5	2,695.1	139.9	5,573,385
Jun-07	-	-	2,320.0	21.2	0.6	6.2	0.5	1.2	15.2	2,424.6	129.7	5,399,418
Jul-07	-	-	2,396.0	19.0	0.0	0.6	0.6	0.8	13.3	2,737.2	127.4	6,422,034
Aug-07	-	-	2,125.0	20.9	0.2	3.9	0.6	1.1	21.3	2,702.9	123.9	6,357,503
Sep-07	-	-	2,318.0	19.5	0.2	3.4	0.6	1.3	20.9	2,634.1	119.4	5,125,738
Oct-07	-	-	2,137.0	20.8	0.0	0.6	0.6	0.9	19.1	2,723.8	121.5	6,077,131
Nov-07	-	-	2,266.0	19.5	0.6	4.5	0.6	0.9	26.2	2,593.6	114.7	6,223,613
Dec-07	-	-	1,887.0	19.9	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.6	16.9	2,823.6	118.8	7,219,142
Jan-08	-	-	1,974.0	14.6	0.2	4.5	0.6	0.7	13.9	2,621.7	114.1	6,866,052
Feb-08	-	-	2,126.0	14.6	0.0	0.4	0.6	0.8	9.9	2,466.3	109.6	5,965,291
Mar-08	-	-	2,542.0	18.0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.9	17.4	2,723.8	121.0	5,590,121
Apr-08	-	-	2,454.0	18.5	0.1	2.8	0.6	0.8	12.6	2,716.0	114.9	5,100,531
May-08	-	-	2,550.0	18.6	0.0	0.4	0.6	0.7	14.3	2,834.7	111.5	4,687,757
Jun-08	-	-	2,358.0	17.5	0.5	6.3	0.6	0.8	9.7	2,425.6	95.1	4,311,805
Jul-08	-	-	2,181.0	18.5	0.1	1.9	0.6	0.7	7.9	2,777.8	115.3	5,584,863
Aug-08	-	-	2,281.0	18.5	0.2	4.1	0.6	0.5	7.4	2,799.7	115.7	5,532,975
Sep-08	-	-	2,084.0	18.2	0.4	4.3	1.1	0.7	9.0	2,728.4	113.7	4,783,774
Oct-08	-	-	2,024.0	21.1	0.3	2.3	0.6	0.8	8.9	2,772.0	112.5	5,375,265
Nov-08	-	-	2,248.0	19.5	-	-	0.7	0.9	6.3	2,697.7	109.6	5,334,162
Dec-08	-	-	1,341.0	18.6	-	-	0.5	0.9	5.6	2,736.6	108.8	6,722,946
Jan-09	-	-	1,320.0	17.1	-	-	0.9	0.8	5.0	2,964.7	106.4	6,252,245
Feb-09	-	-	1,691.0	14.6	-	-	0.9	0.7	4.2	2,652.2	100.3	5,433,182
Mar-09	-	-	1,481.0	19.0	-	-	0.7	0.8	5.2	2,956.6	102.9	5,355,695
Apr-09	-	-	1,155.0	16.5	-	-	0.5	0.7	4.5	-	111.1	4,616,738
May-09	-	-	1,605.0	19.5	-	-	0.8	0.6	5.3	-	103.9	4,803,429
Jun-09	-	-	1,868.0	18.5	-	-	0.8	0.6	5.6	-	104.7	4,166,757
Jul-09	-	-	2,206.0	16.3	-	-	0.7	0.7	4.9	-	-	4,919,528
Aug-09	-	-	-	18.2	-	-	0.7	0.4	5.3	-	-	-
Sep-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(1-tot, 8-avg) YTD	1 643.0	1 21,223.4	1 11,326.0	1 139.7	1 2.0	1 27.4	1 6.0	1 5.2	1 40.0	1 8,573.5	1 629.3	1 35,547,574
% change	-14.1	-3.8	-30.0	0.6	18.8	9.2	25.3	-10.8	-57.0	9.8	-5.5	-6.7
Last 12 months	768.5	25,523.1	21,304.0	217.1	2.8	32.5	8.9	8.6	69.8	33,062.0	1,304.9	63,296,696
Previous 12	847.3	24,768.4	26,918.0	218.5	2.2	30.6	7.1	9.5	176.2	31,836.6	1,391.9	69,109,547
% change	-9.3	3.0	-20.9	-0.6	28.7	6.2	24.1	-10.3	-60.4	3.8	-6.4	-8.4
% ch. year ago	-3.7	-6.9	1.1	-1.6	848.3	283.3	23.7	-14.9	-28.4	8.5	10.1	-11.9
% ch. prev mth	41.5	8.2	18.1	11.7	-29.3	-46.5	0.0	-38.5	8.2	11.5	0.8	18.1



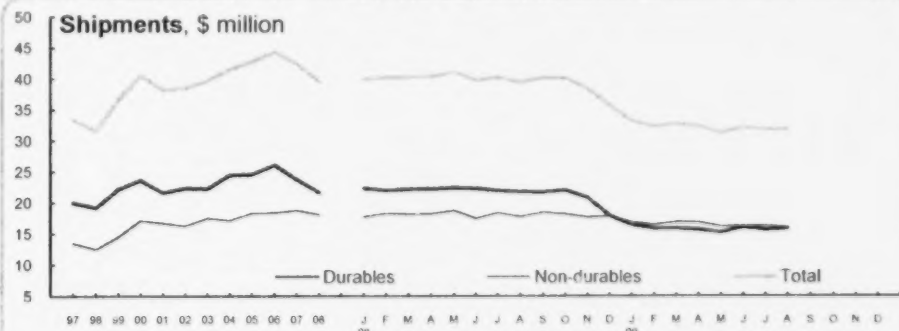
10 Manufacturing – Durables, NAICS based

Value of Manufactured Shipments (Source: Statistics Canada)									
Period	Total All Shipments	Total Durables	Wood	Non-Metallic Minerals	Fabricated Metals	Machinery	Computer & Electronics	Electrical Equipment	Transportation Equipment
Seasonally Adjusted									
2005	42,882,629	24,577,836	11,720,077	1,609,630	2,156,114	2,207,088	1,268,560	-	-
2006	44,479,860	26,078,633	10,701,160	1,989,286	2,291,901	2,389,071	1,612,878	-	1,497,033
2007	42,526,359	23,792,834	8,070,616	2,000,666	-	2,304,385	1,443,622	-	1,563,745
2008	39,759,486	21,674,260	6,787,679	1,834,495	-	1,997,793	1,634,533	-	1,357,229
Jan-07	3,630,037	2,070,666	736,485	169,921	X	205,853	119,917	X	144,627
Feb-07	3,606,237	2,059,888	735,089	172,759	X	198,197	115,089	X	130,799
Mar-07	3,590,659	2,009,089	708,507	172,030	X	199,304	110,562	X	135,627
Apr-07	3,699,487	2,082,679	733,000	175,041	X	195,792	115,804	X	128,837
May-07	3,607,870	2,024,912	694,610	169,856	X	201,599	96,423	X	125,489
Jun-07	3,579,559	2,033,329	686,185	160,956	X	199,558	110,940	X	140,740
Jul-07	3,609,713	2,034,098	664,784	162,028	X	199,350	148,988	X	135,547
Aug-07	3,582,354	1,971,507	637,034	164,983	X	195,327	130,261	X	128,493
Sep-07	3,390,775	1,881,722	610,076	164,721	X	171,732	98,412	X	127,754
Oct-07	3,461,987	1,908,587	615,234	164,643	X	187,567	130,892	X	124,066
Nov-07	3,396,206	1,869,022	634,503	170,537	X	176,302	133,123	X	123,544
Dec-07	3,371,483	1,847,344	615,109	153,192	X	173,904	133,212	X	118,222
Jan-08	3,342,980	1,862,777	586,106	142,141	X	191,277	137,786	X	116,480
Feb-08	3,359,493	1,835,465	577,105	151,810	X	169,528	140,789	X	116,486
Mar-08	3,365,454	1,850,332	593,132	159,042	X	175,738	136,233	X	121,328
Apr-08	3,375,097	1,855,915	587,026	149,620	X	169,025	139,433	X	117,218
May-08	3,434,649	1,871,950	611,269	152,998	X	164,228	131,811	X	118,905
Jun-08	3,321,377	1,862,978	584,169	158,054	X	169,115	144,143	X	111,662
Jul-08	3,364,247	1,832,094	566,004	167,529	X	166,899	138,075	X	111,733
Aug-08	3,297,285	1,817,883	575,874	155,964	X	163,671	130,022	X	108,465
Sep-08	3,356,464	1,815,698	558,508	161,725	X	157,854	126,584	X	114,428
Oct-08	3,351,032	1,836,983	598,140	151,359	X	166,370	131,220	X	110,930
Nov-08	3,209,196	1,734,622	532,292	166,331	X	155,619	125,517	X	105,167
Dec-08	2,982,211	1,497,562	418,054	117,923	X	148,469	152,920	X	104,426
Jan-09	2,776,874	1,370,126	406,875	118,231	X	137,918	92,550	X	85,701
Feb-09	2,699,173	1,325,295	380,698	111,124	X	137,063	93,722	X	77,168
Mar-09	2,732,751	1,325,090	349,461	100,840	X	145,947	83,628	X	99,643
Apr-09	2,707,660	1,306,221	358,338	110,911	X	136,323	105,141	X	83,344
May-09	2,614,817	1,267,815	347,082	110,130	X	128,115	106,977	X	73,107
Jun-09	2,690,309	1,339,050	397,811	115,889	X	126,622	105,571	X	79,460
Jul-09	2,659,376	1,303,618	380,320	112,597	X	120,675	100,130	X	71,893
Aug-09	2,660,096	1,321,337	384,343	113,355	X	116,580	99,084	X	75,515
Sep-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	1 21,541,056	1 10,558,552	1 3,004,923	1 893,087	X	1 1,049,243	1 786,803	X	1 645,831
% change	-19.8	-28.6	-35.8	-27.8	X	-23.4	-28.4	X	-30.0
Last 12 months	34,439,959	17,443,417	5,111,922	1,490,425	X	1,677,555	1,323,044	X	1,080,782
Previous 12	40,481,033	22,296,069	7,155,607	1,890,251	X	2,078,886	1,593,931	X	1,415,863
% change	-14.9	-21.8	-28.6	-21.2	X	-19.3	-17.0	X	-23.7
% ch. year ago	-19.3	-27.3	-33.3	-27.3	X	-28.8	-23.8	X	-30.4
% ch. prev mth	0.0	1.4	1.1	0.7	X	-3.4	-1.0	X	5.0



11 Manufacturing — Non-Durables, NAICS based

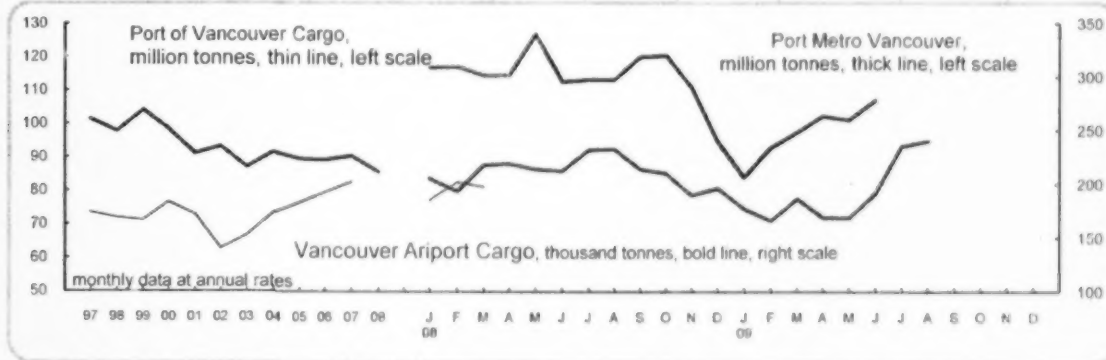
Value of Manufactured Shipments- Seasonally Adjusted (Source: Statistics Canada)								
	Total Non-Durables	Food	Beverage	Paper	Printing & Related Support	Clothing	Chemicals	Plastics & Rubber
\$ thousand								
Period	Seasonally Adjusted							
2005	18,304,794	5,241,932	1,181,025	5,606,969	997,044	-	-	1,310,818
2006	18,401,227	5,507,305	1,179,161	5,556,053	990,019	-	-	1,368,618
2007	18,733,525	5,478,637	1,210,489	5,842,895	902,959	-	-	1,327,978
2008	18,085,226	5,470,934	1,216,864	5,401,097	831,527	-	-	1,104,668
Jan-07	1,559,371	454,016	100,883	494,834	75,762	X	X	111,632
Feb-07	1,546,349	449,593	99,229	495,682	75,195	X	X	117,828
Mar-07	1,581,570	433,972	96,781	505,798	73,507	X	X	112,345
Apr-07	1,616,808	454,723	106,246	521,114	82,512	X	X	119,275
May-07	1,582,958	448,417	97,977	511,698	70,700	X	X	121,456
Jun-07	1,546,230	450,032	99,464	482,566	75,962	X	X	117,649
Jul-07	1,575,615	461,976	98,957	497,149	79,582	X	X	112,201
Aug-07	1,610,847	477,331	100,685	514,096	81,242	X	X	112,057
Sep-07	1,509,053	461,276	102,796	436,665	71,909	X	X	105,210
Oct-07	1,553,400	468,164	104,437	469,257	71,263	X	X	101,977
Nov-07	1,527,184	460,183	104,211	451,745	71,805	X	X	103,256
Dec-07	1,524,139	458,965	98,823	462,291	73,519	X	X	93,092
Jan-08	1,480,203	446,194	95,735	429,268	74,623	X	X	99,486
Feb-08	1,524,028	447,368	89,944	489,738	70,610	X	X	95,055
Mar-08	1,515,122	438,299	102,798	466,535	71,385	X	X	96,002
Apr-08	1,519,182	450,782	99,951	468,304	74,711	X	X	90,587
May-08	1,562,699	447,057	104,163	490,361	73,450	X	X	92,821
Jun-08	1,458,399	436,594	103,558	432,484	70,348	X	X	89,978
Jul-08	1,532,153	456,567	106,056	473,223	66,194	X	X	96,438
Aug-08	1,479,402	435,442	105,030	439,159	68,567	X	X	93,025
Sep-08	1,540,766	471,639	106,715	447,626	67,286	X	X	90,819
Oct-08	1,514,049	467,787	101,783	441,921	67,255	X	X	90,376
Nov-08	1,474,574	479,543	101,385	400,915	64,035	X	X	87,990
Dec-08	1,484,649	493,661	99,748	421,563	63,063	X	X	82,092
Jan-09	1,406,748	478,897	102,589	364,377	58,086	X	X	81,981
Feb-09	1,373,878	477,580	101,821	340,079	60,405	X	X	79,728
Mar-09	1,407,661	479,810	93,645	374,799	53,711	X	X	78,115
Apr-09	1,401,439	466,295	101,847	385,165	50,233	X	X	73,271
May-09	1,347,002	463,438	100,893	346,876	47,921	X	X	70,388
Jun-09	1,351,259	463,809	102,721	337,315	47,548	X	X	78,002
Jul-09	1,355,758	453,392	97,120	358,432	47,506	X	X	76,633
Aug-09	1,338,759	436,555	96,083	375,200	37,997	X	X	75,967
Sep-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, 2-avg) YTD	1 10,982,504	1 3,719,776	1 796,719	1 2,882,243	1 403,407	X	X	1 614,085
% change	-9.0	4.5	-1.3	-21.9	-29.2	X	X	-18.5
Last 12 months	16,996,542	5,632,406	1,206,350	4,594,268	665,046	X	X	965,362
Previous 12	18,184,964	5,406,891	1,217,502	5,509,030	858,384	X	X	1,156,927
% change	-6.5	4.2	-0.9	-16.6	-22.5	X	X	-16.6
% ch. year ago	-9.5	0.3	-8.5	-14.6	-44.6	X	X	-18.3
% ch. prev mnth	-1.3	-3.7	-1.1	4.7	-20.0	X	X	-0.9



12 Service Sector — Transportation

All data from respective
ports, carriers, & authorities.

Period	Freight shipments (new series)			Freight shipments (terminated series)			Passengers				
	Port Metro Vancouver			Port of Vancouver			Vancouver Airport		BC Ferries		Coquihalla
	Shipping - Cargo Handled, incl. Fraser R.			Shipping - Cargo Handled			Cargo	Arrivals/	Mainland/Vancouver Island		Hwy Passenger
	Foreign	Domestic	Total	Foreign	Coastwise	Total	Handled	Departures	Passengers	Vehicles	Vehicles
	Thousands tonnes			Thousands tonnes			Tonnes	Thousands	Thousands		
2005	-	-	-	72,909	3,573	76,480	223,678	8,348	11,088	3,794	2,620
2006	-	-	-	75,733	3,787	79,521	222,729	8,712	11,118	3,810	2,583
2007	-	-	-	78,495	4,316	82,710	226,233	9,017	11,230	3,860	2,712
2008	82,234	32,324	114,558	-	-	-	211,313	9,345	10,812	3,744	2,093
Jan-07	-	-	-	5,440	363	5,803	15,569	652	588	223	99
Feb-07	-	-	-	5,591	290	5,881	15,691	624	590	227	116
Mar-07	-	-	-	5,810	348	6,156	18,800	715	799	291	180
Apr-07	-	-	-	6,371	345	6,716	16,801	698	858	277	214
May-07	-	-	-	7,189	393	7,482	18,098	763	969	333	247
Jun-07	-	-	-	7,266	376	7,642	19,015	790	1,038	354	266
Jul-07	-	-	-	6,454	384	6,838	21,673	878	1,426	448	385
Aug-07	-	-	-	6,812	379	7,191	22,322	945	1,575	491	436
Sep-07	-	-	-	6,757	355	7,112	19,953	787	1,051	368	279
Oct-07	-	-	-	6,931	399	7,329	19,689	757	842	305	209
Nov-07	-	-	-	6,927	353	7,280	20,035	675	691	261	138
Dec-07	-	-	-	6,947	333	7,280	18,587	732	803	262	145
Jan-08	6,430	3,303	9,733	6,010	337	6,437	17,113	711	578	221	106
Feb-08	6,964	2,782	9,746	6,610	279	6,889	16,104	710	611	234	86
Mar-08	6,815	2,722	9,537	6,404	364	6,769	18,131	775	861	304	194
Apr-08	6,588	2,956	9,544	-	-	-	18,237	737	749	284	172
May-08	7,653	2,899	10,552	-	-	-	17,806	819	984	336	254
Jun-08	6,761	2,619	9,380	-	-	-	17,686	849	1,035	357	269
Jul-08	6,652	2,779	9,431	-	-	-	19,337	903	1,350	427	364
Aug-08	6,490	2,939	9,429	-	-	-	19,379	971	1,525	466	434
Sep-08	7,390	2,608	9,998	-	-	-	17,840	768	910	324	214
Oct-08	7,245	2,798	10,043	-	-	-	17,506	757	827	293	-
Nov-08	6,909	2,337	9,245	-	-	-	15,818	647	657	242	-
Dec-08	6,338	1,582	7,919	-	-	-	16,356	697	725	256	-
Jan-09	5,369	1,648	7,017	-	-	-	14,770	637	594	228	-
Feb-09	6,043	1,707	7,750	-	-	-	13,851	631	569	217	-
Mar-09	6,414	1,719	8,133	-	-	-	15,533	693	738	267	-
Apr-09	6,598	1,934	8,532	-	-	-	14,080	684	808	291	-
May-09	6,644	1,792	8,436	-	-	-	14,077	729	949	324	-
Jun-09	7,065	1,859	8,924	-	-	-	15,978	749	987	348	-
Jul-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,602	837	1,350	442	-
Aug-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,033	918	1,512	488	-
Sep-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	993	362	-
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, 2-avg) YTD	1 38,134	1 10,659	1 48,793	1 19,024	1 980	1 20,005	1 127,924	1 5,879	1 8,500	1 2,967	1 2,093
% change	-7.5	-38.3	-16.6	13.0	-1.9	12.6	-11.0	-9.2	-1.2	0.5	-5.8
Last 12 months	79,157	25,703	104,860	80,678	4,297	84,965	195,444	8,748	10,709	3,758	2,584
Previous 12	X	X	X	75,323	3,900	79,225	222,057	9,426	10,939	3,801	2,676
% change	X	X	X	7.1	10.2	7.2	-12.0	-7.2	-2.1	-1.1	-3.4
% ch. year ago	4.5	-29.0	-4.9	10.2	5.2	10.0	3.4	-5.5	9.1	11.7	-23.3
% ch. prev mnth	6.3	3.7	5.8	-3.1	30.5	-1.7	2.2	9.7	-34.3	-25.8	-50.8

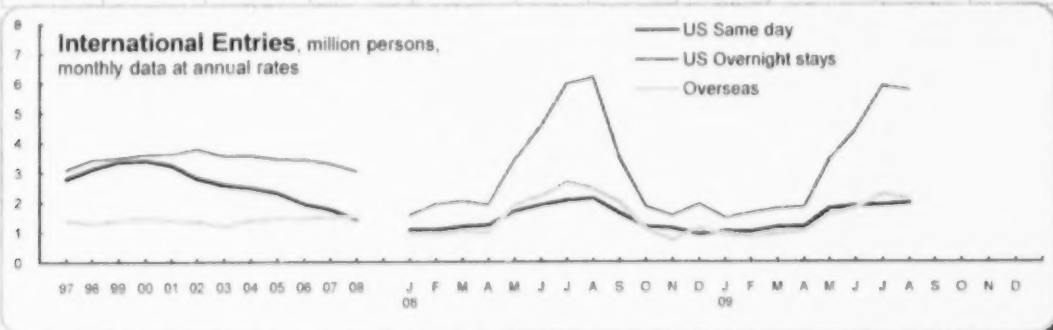


13 Service Sector — Tourism

Hotel Occupancy & Convention Delegate Days with permission of Pannell Ken Forster. Airport figures from respective airports.

Tourism Room Revenue, BC Stats

Period	International Entries Via BC (Source: Statistics Canada)					Tourism Indicators					
	US			Overseas	Total	Hotel Occup'y Rate	Trade & Convention		Tourism Room Revenue	Vancouver Airport	
	Same Day	Overnight Stays	Total				Delegate days			Arrivals/Departures	
							Victoria	Vancouver			Transborder ¹
		Persons					%	Thousands of days		\$ thousands	Thousands of persons
	Unadjusted								SA	Unadjusted	
2005	2,314,469	3,436,486	5,750,955	1,473,833	7,224,788	63.9	69,539	201,250	1,681,564	4,106	3,965
2006	1,944,560	3,435,243	5,379,803	1,466,148	6,845,951	65.7	-	-	1,807,609	4,252	3,960
2007	1,767,316	3,294,668	5,061,984	1,514,842	6,576,826	66.6	-	-	1,963,962	4,361	4,111
2008	1,439,054	3,036,458	4,475,512	1,513,210	5,988,722	64.5	-	-	1,977,426	4,335	4,171
Jan-07	104,451	140,370	244,821	72,476	317,297	50.6	-	-	160,181	344	305
Feb-07	108,332	171,121	279,453	77,576	357,029	60.4	-	-	157,125	308	275
Mar-07	122,661	188,022	310,683	89,056	399,739	66.4	-	-	163,840	374	325
Apr-07	128,439	174,366	302,805	86,819	389,624	64.4	-	-	160,831	326	297
May-07	170,490	293,394	463,884	151,933	615,817	72.2	-	-	163,150	353	330
Jun-07	202,566	422,098	624,664	188,776	813,440	75.7	-	-	164,808	398	374
Jul-07	223,240	527,212	750,452	223,537	973,989	79.8	-	-	162,037	464	445
Aug-07	224,297	543,941	768,238	197,376	965,614	83.0	-	-	162,551	485	458
Sep-07	175,709	332,421	508,130	172,091	680,221	76.9	-	-	165,376	365	381
Oct-07	110,833	171,923	282,756	89,706	372,462	65.2	-	-	165,754	297	318
Nov-07	98,349	138,313	236,662	64,615	301,277	55.6	-	-	169,243	295	277
Dec-07	97,949	191,487	289,436	100,881	390,317	49.0	-	-	169,063	352	333
Jan-08	89,694	131,402	221,096	78,298	299,394	51.1	-	-	169,070	352	358
Feb-08	90,048	162,169	252,217	79,385	331,602	61.4	-	-	167,553	345	307
Mar-08	99,526	170,212	269,738	85,890	355,628	63.2	-	-	166,960	394	359
Apr-08	101,962	159,557	261,519	81,625	343,144	64.1	-	-	166,111	337	328
May-08	141,340	283,836	425,176	159,336	584,512	70.6	-	-	168,406	374	351
Jun-08	159,652	379,729	539,381	185,345	724,726	75.4	-	-	171,073	405	387
Jul-08	172,021	499,181	671,202	222,941	894,143	77.5	-	-	161,566	465	431
Aug-08	178,174	515,526	693,700	205,456	899,156	80.8	-	-	164,666	484	438
Sep-08	135,761	288,991	424,752	167,502	592,254	71.8	-	-	159,341	322	351
Oct-08	99,488	154,081	253,569	91,797	345,366	61.2	-	-	162,733	280	290
Nov-08	94,095	129,828	223,923	61,396	285,319	51.5	-	-	163,847	267	260
Dec-08	77,293	161,946	239,239	94,239	333,478	45.0	-	-	156,100	312	313
Jan-09	86,109	123,461	209,570	77,219	286,789	46.3	-	-	151,597	312	336
Feb-09	84,153	136,460	220,613	71,489	292,102	57.2	-	-	151,233	300	277
Mar-09	96,518	148,847	245,365	78,275	323,640	57.6	-	-	143,749	345	316
Apr-09	98,365	152,968	251,333	86,077	337,410	56.7	-	-	145,612	308	296
May-09	148,247	286,531	434,778	131,188	565,966	61.4	-	-	140,630	312	279
Jun-09	156,115	366,363	522,478	150,057	672,535	65.1	-	-	138,578	332	297
Jul-09	159,739	491,599	651,338	191,072	842,410	70.6	-	-	-	395	356
Aug-09	164,325	480,935	645,260	177,599	822,859	68.8	-	-	-	417	376
Sep-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t.tot, a-avg) YTD	1 993,571	1 2,187,164	1 3,180,735	1 962,976	1 4,143,711	a 61.5	1 69,539	1 201,250	1 871,399	1 2,720	1 2,532
% change	-3.8	-5.0	-4.6	-12.3	-6.5	-9.6	-6.4	-1.1	-13.7	-13.8	-14.4
Last 12 months	1,400,208	2,922,010	4,322,218	1,377,910	5,700,128	60.1	100,836	247,216	1,839,652	3,900	3,746
Previous 12	1,566,914	3,084,099	4,651,013	1,525,569	6,176,582	65.9	113,184	243,145	2,003,197	4,464	4,267
% change	-10.6	-5.3	-7.1	-9.7	-7.7	-8.8	-10.9	1.7	-8.2	-12.6	-12.6
% ch. year ago	-7.9	-6.7	-7.0	-13.6	-8.5	-5.0	104.2	44.9	-19.0	-14.0	-14.0
% ch. prev mth	3.2	-2.3	-0.9	-7.1	-2.3	8.8	690.7	671.3	-1.5	5.4	5.7



Period	Stock Markets		Interest Rates					Exchange Rates	
	Dow Jones Industrial Ave -Close	T.S.E. Composite 300-Close	Bank Rate	Prime Rate	Conventional Mortgage		US Federal Funds	Average Noon Spot Rate-USD	CERI - C\$ Effective Exch. Rate
	\$	1975=1000			Five year Rate	One year Rate		\$ Can	1992=100
					%				
2005	10,529.1	10,162.3	2.92	4.42	5.99	5.06	3.25	1.2114	100.97
2006	11,472.1	12,081.5	4.31	5.81	6.66	6.28	4.98	1.1343	107.88
2007	13,198.0	13,700.0	4.60	6.10	7.07	6.90	5.02	1.0740	113.13
2008	11,224.2	12,528.7	3.21	4.73	7.06	6.70	1.84	1.0671	112.53
Jan-07	12,621.7	13,034.1	4.50	6.00	6.65	6.50	5.27	1.1759	103.69
Feb-07	12,268.6	13,045.0	4.50	6.00	6.65	6.50	5.28	1.1707	104.06
Mar-07	12,354.3	13,165.5	4.50	6.00	6.49	6.40	5.26	1.1682	104.06
Apr-07	13,062.9	13,416.7	4.50	6.00	6.64	6.60	5.23	1.1343	106.88
May-07	13,627.6	14,056.8	4.50	6.00	7.14	6.85	5.28	1.0949	110.85
Jun-07	13,408.6	13,906.6	4.50	6.00	7.24	7.05	5.25	1.0652	114.05
Jul-07	13,212.0	13,868.6	4.75	6.25	7.24	7.05	5.26	1.0503	115.19
Aug-07	13,357.7	13,660.5	4.75	6.25	7.24	7.05	5.11	1.0582	114.36
Sep-07	13,895.6	14,098.9	4.75	6.25	7.19	7.05	4.78	1.0254	117.51
Oct-07	13,930.0	14,625.0	4.75	6.25	7.44	7.25	4.78	0.9752	123.33
Nov-07	13,371.7	13,689.1	4.75	6.25	7.39	7.20	4.53	0.9671	123.93
Dec-07	13,264.8	13,833.1	4.50	6.00	7.54	7.35	4.25	1.0031	119.67
Jan-08	12,650.4	13,155.1	4.25	5.75	7.39	7.35	3.50	1.0111	118.30
Feb-08	12,266.4	13,582.7	4.25	5.75	7.29	7.25	2.97	0.9991	119.44
Mar-08	12,262.9	13,350.1	3.75	5.25	7.19	7.15	2.18	1.0020	117.90
Apr-08	12,820.1	13,937.0	3.25	4.75	6.99	6.95	2.28	1.0139	116.50
May-08	12,638.3	14,714.7	3.25	4.75	6.65	6.15	2.07	0.9994	118.43
Jun-08	11,350.0	14,467.0	3.25	4.75	7.15	6.95	1.97	1.0167	116.46
Jul-08	11,378.0	13,592.9	3.25	4.75	7.15	6.95	2.08	1.0127	116.64
Aug-08	11,543.5	13,771.3	3.25	4.75	6.85	6.65	1.99	1.0544	113.03
Sep-08	10,850.7	11,752.9	3.25	4.75	6.85	6.65	1.54	1.0583	113.07
Oct-08	9,325.0	9,762.8	2.50	4.00	7.20	6.35	0.82	1.1848	102.42
Nov-08	8,829.0	9,270.6	2.50	4.00	7.20	6.35	0.56	1.2182	100.08
Dec-08	8,776.4	8,987.7	1.75	3.50	6.75	5.60	0.10	1.2345	98.09
Jan-09	8,000.9	8,694.9	1.25	3.00	5.79	5.00	0.19	1.2263	98.90
Feb-09	7,062.9	8,123.0	1.25	3.00	5.79	5.00	0.20	1.2451	98.01
Mar-09	7,608.9	8,720.4	0.75	2.50	5.55	4.50	0.17	1.2645	96.68
Apr-09	8,168.1	9,324.8	0.50	2.25	5.25	3.90	0.17	1.2240	99.41
May-09	8,500.3	10,370.1	0.50	2.25	5.25	3.90	0.17	1.1509	104.99
Jun-09	8,477.0	10,374.9	0.50	2.25	5.85	3.75	0.24	1.1265	107.00
Jul-09	9,171.6	10,787.2	0.50	2.25	5.85	3.75	0.15	1.1222	107.11
Aug-09	9,496.3	10,868.2	0.50	2.25	5.85	3.75	0.16	1.0882	110.36
Sep-09	9,712.3	11,395.0	0.50	2.25	5.49	3.70	0.12	1.0818	110.65
Oct-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(1-tot, 6-avg) YTD	a 8,466.5	a 9,850.9	a 0.69	a 2.40	a 5.63	a 4.14	a 0.17	a 1.1700	a 103.68
% change	-29.3	-27.5	-80.3	-51.4	-20.2	-40.0	-92.4	14.9	-11.1
Last 12 months	8,594.1	9,723.3	1.10	2.79	5.99	4.63	0.25	1.1806	102.81
Previous 12	12,360.6	13,705.9	3.81	5.31	7.16	6.99	2.85	1.0094	118.06
% change	-30.5	-29.1	-71.6	-47.5	-16.4	-33.8	-91.1	17.0	-12.9
% ch. year ago	-10.5	-3.0	-84.6	-52.6	-19.9	-44.4	-92.2	2.2	-2.1
% ch. prev mth	2.3	4.8	0.0	0.0	-6.2	-1.3	-25.0	-0.6	0.3

